



Camden County Administrator - Steve L. Howard
"Leadership that Listens"

Steve L. Howard has served as the County Administrator since August 31, 2007. Prior to that, he worked in various executive and senior management positions for Polk, Seminole, and Desoto Counties in Florida, and the City of Punta Gorda.

Steve is a graduate of Bellevue University, where he earned a Master's degree in Public Administration. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from California Coast University. In addition, he is a graduate of the ICMA Senior Executive Institute Leadership Program at the University of Virginia, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service and the Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Senior Executives in State and Local Government program.



He is an ICMA Credentialed Manager, Certified Public Manager, Certified Public Purchasing Officer and Certified Professional Public Buyer.

On September 25, 2013, as part of the 99th ICMA Annual Conference in Boston, Steve was formally recognized with a 20-year service award from the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). He was recognized for his significant contributions to local government organizations, and his track record of implementing programs that promote quality and efficiency and responsible and responsive government.

Key Contributions & Results for Camden County:

- Developed and Implemented County's first five-year Strategic Plan.
- Led collaboration efforts with three municipalities for multiple service delivery strategies that resulted in cost savings for cities and county.
- Awarded eight state and national awards for implementing innovative government programs.
- Obtained over \$100 million in state and federal grants.
- Received 2014 National Association of Counties Achievement Award and 2014 Public-Private Partnership "County of the Year" award by the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia.
- Launched better ways of doing government business program achieved over \$9 million in cost savings to date.
- Redesigned Health Care plan resulted in over \$2 million in savings and cost avoidance.
- Increased cash fund balance / eliminated general fund debt /reduced millage rate.
- Established community communication and outreach programs.
- Partnered with Chamber of Commerce, Cities and other groups to promote greater unity of economic development efforts for the community.